

AGN. NO.

**MOTION BY SUPERVISORS MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS
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NOVEMBER 5, 2013

EXPANSION OF SUBSIDIZED EMPLOYMENT PROGRAMMING

In May 2009 through September 2010, the Los Angeles County (County) Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) led the nation's efforts to provide employment opportunities to disadvantaged adults and youths through the use of the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families (TANF) Emergency Contingency Fund. With over 10,000 subsidized jobs generated, DPSS became the solution so desperately needed by thousands of the County's most needy families seeking job opportunities during the nation's economic downturn. Through a smaller-scale program, DPSS has continued its subsidized employment program, creating jobs that provide participants the skills and experience needed for economic and social advancement.

The final adopted fiscal 2013-14 State budget allocated additional funding to counties to expand subsidized employment programs as one of the ongoing Welfare-to-Work early engagement strategies. This Expanded Subsidized Employment funding may be utilized for

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operational costs including the cost of overseeing the program, developing work sites, and providing training to participants.

In response to direction from the Board of Supervisors on June 24, 2013, DPSS developed a plan to take full advantage of any funding available for the purpose of subsidized employment. In order to implement that plan and expand programs as allowed by the State, an expeditious amendment to the current contract between DPSS and the City of Inglewood is required. In particular, the amendment would allow for an increase in the maximum contract amount to reflect additional funding as it becomes available over the remainder of the contract period ending February 29, 2016 and to serve broader populations such as transitional age youth.

WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

1. Delegate authority to the Director of the Department of Public Social Services (DPSS) to prepare and execute amendments to its Welfare-to-Work Vocational Intermediary and Direct Services contract (#WTW13-001) with the City of Inglewood that would expand the service population and reflect increases in the maximum contract amount not to exceed the total amount of available resources; and
2. Direct the Director of DPSS to notify the Board of Supervisors in writing within ten days prior to the execution of any such contract amendment.

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